

**QUARTERLY REPORT**  
**April - June 1994**

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A significant development occurred in June, when representatives of the three leading UFO organizations (the Center for UFO Studies, the Fund for UFO Research, and the Mutual UFO Network) were invited to a meeting in St. Louis to discuss cooperative funding for UFO research. The agreement reached was that the Bigelow Foundation will provide substantial funding for UFO research projects, to be administered by the three organizations in what currently is being called the "CFM Coalition." Further details on this joint venture will be reported in future issues of the *Quarterly Report*.

Also during this period, the Fund's Board of Directors accepted a proposal from Jerome Clark to support his research expenses into an investigation of UFO events during the 1960s and '70s. The project will result in a report for distribution by the Fund, as well as the third volume of Clark's highly-regarded UFO encyclopedia (the second volume received an award from the American Library Association as one of the "outstanding academic reference books of 1992"). The grant of \$2,000 will support travel expenses for on-site research at various archives. Clark is editor of the *International UFO Reporter*, published by CUFOS.

In June, the Fund was pleased to sponsor one of a series of conferences devoted to examination of the UFO abduction phenomenon. A mini-conference organized by Fund supporter Melanie Green was held in the Northern Virginia area for mental health professionals, abduction case investigators and witnesses. The featured speaker was respected researcher David Jacobs, Ph.D., author of *Secret Life*. The costs of the conference were supported by a modest registration fee for attendees.

Also in June, the Fund took advantage of the 47th anniversary of the Kenneth Arnold sighting and the subsequent Roswell UFO crash events to inform a wide segment of the public of the UFO phenomenon. The organization sent information to more than 800 radio and television talk shows around the country, which resulted in nearly 30 requests for interviews. The most significant was the "Jim Bohannon Show" on the Mutual UFO Network, which has millions of listeners; in addition, representatives of the Fund appeared on radio talk shows in California, Connecticut, Florida, Hawaii, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin.

A proposal by physicist John Kasher, Ph.D., who is on the faculty at the University of Nebraska at Omaha, to examine a videotape of anomalous objects recorded during the space shuttle *Discovery* mission on September 15, 1991, was approved by the Fund. Dr. Kasher's request was for \$400 to support the project. His report on the event, along with a copy of the videotape, will be available from the Fund later in 1994.

Once again this year, the Fund for UFO Research is honoring outstanding individuals in the field of UFOlogy through the Isabel L. Davis Award, which is made annually "to recognize long-term accomplishments and excellence in promoting rational inquiry into reported UFO sightings and

related phenomena." The recipient of last year's award (and a check for \$1,000) was Raymond Fowler, investigator and author of six books on the UFO subject.

Members of the Fund's Executive Committee have made nominations, and the names of nominees are being sent to our supporters, who are asked to vote for the individual whose qualifications make him best suited to receive the award. The ballot is printed on the opposite side of the enclosed Reply Form; we ask that you make your choice and return the ballot in the enclosed self-addressed envelope. An announcement concerning the recipient and a cash award will be made by the end of the year.

Contributions to support the award are welcome. As an acknowledgement of your support, a special premium -- a chocolate "flying saucer" (complete with a crew of "little green men") -- will be sent to contributors of \$25 or more to support the Isabel Davis Award, in order of receipt until our available supply is exhausted.

### **Treasurer's Report January - June 1994**

#### **Income**

Donations	\$8,824.56
Postage	543.62
Interest	121.73
Sales	468.00
Sales	<u>5,032.24</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$14,990.15</b>

#### **Expenses**

Administration	2,964.42
Fundraising	5,478.99
Program	<u>16,251.94</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$24,695.35</b>

**Balance** (\$9,705.20)

#### **Assets**

Checking Account	\$2,409.86
Asset Manager	5,051.66
Short Term Bond Fund	<u>1,007.14</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,468.66</b>

#### **Liabilities**

Abduction Research	\$350.00
McDonald Papers	325.00
Roswell Video	4,000.00
Russian History	50.00
Shag Harbor Crash	1,698.33
UFO History	<u>2,000.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$8,423.33</b>

**Net Worth** **\$45.33**

As you can see from the Treasurer's Report, the Fund's assets are almost totally offset by its liabilities. This will make it very difficult for us to make the amount of the Isabel Davis Award as large as we would like. Therefore, we would very much appreciate it if you would consider making a donation to support this award, in order to encourage serious scientific research into the UFO phenomenon.